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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Felix Belair, Jr. The New York Times 1920 L Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. Belair:

We have completed the search for and review of documents requested by your letter of July 31, 1972.

In response to your first request, ("The National Intelligence Estimate or CIA contribution toward such NIE regarding Chinese troop strength, disposition and/or movement just prior to China's intervention in the Korean War on Nov. 1, 1950") the document in question cannot be released.

With regard to your second request, ("Intelligence estimate of threat to Laos Government presented to President Eisenhower by Allen Dulles, CIA Director, at White House meeting January 1, 1961 also attended by State and Defense Department representatives. Also any material defining U. S. interest in Laos about that time") the intelligence estimate cannot be released. Other material defining U. S. interest in Laos was not located.

With regard to your third request, ("Termination of Greek Civil War, our interest is in any document prepared for CIA illuminating the reasons for Marshall Tito's closing of the Yugoslav frontier with Greece following his break with the Cominform") the documents in question cannot be released.

You may appeal these decisions directly to the Central Intelligence Agency Information Review Committee, established

pursuant to Section 7(B)(2) of Executive Order 11652. Such an appeal should be by letter or other written communication, addressed to the above-named Committee, in care of the undersigned, and should (1) indicate the decision or decisions being appealed, and (2) present any information or justification you wish to submit.

Sincerely,

Angus MacLean Thuermer Assistant to the Director